make a meaningful and realistic work search; and

(3) UI program staff receive information about UI claimants' ability or availability for work, or the suitability of work offered to them.

#### §652.211 What are State planning requirements under the Act?

The State agency designated to administer funds authorized under the Act must prepare for submission by the Governor, the portion of the five-year State Workforce Investment Plan describing the delivery of services provided under the Act in accordance with WIA regulations at 20 CFR 661.220. The State Plan must contain a detailed description of services that will be provided under the Act, which are adequate and reasonably appropriate for carrying out the provisions of the Act, including the requirements of section 8(b) of the Act.

#### §652.212 When should a State submit modifications to the five-year plan?

(a) A State may submit modifications to the five-year plan as necessary during the five-year period, and must do so in accordance with the same collaboration, notification, and other requirements that apply to the original plan. Modifications are likely to be needed to keep the strategic plan a viable and living document over its five-year life.

(b) That portion of the plan addressing the Act must be updated to reflect any reorganization of the State agency designated to deliver services under the Act, any change in service delivery strategy, any change in levels of performance when performance goals are not met, or any change in services delivered by State merit-staff employees.

## § 652.213 What information must a State include when the plan is modified?

A State must follow the instructions for modifying the strategic five-year plan in 20 CFR 661.230.

#### §652.214 How often may a State submit modifications to the plan?

A State may modify its plan, as often as needed, as changes occur in Federal or State law or policies, Statewide vision or strategy, or if changes in economic conditions occur.

# §652.215 Do any provisions in WIA change the requirement that State merit-staff employees must deliver services provided under the Act?

No, the Secretary requires that labor exchange services provided under the authority of the Act, including services to veterans, be provided by State merit-staff employees. This interpretation is authorized by and consistent with the provisions in sections 3(a) and 5(b) of the Act and the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (42 U.S.C. 4701 et seq.). The Secretary has and has exercised the legal authority under section 3(a) of the Act to set additional staffing standards and requirements and to conduct demonstrations to ensure the effective delivery of services provided under the Act. No additional demonstrations will be authorized.

#### § 652.216 May the One-Stop operator provide guidance to State meritstaff employees in accordance with the Act?

Yes, the One-Stop delivery system envisions a partnership in which Wagner-Peyser Act labor exchange services are coordinated with other activities provided by other partners in a One-Stop setting. As part of the local Memorandum of Understanding, the State agency, as a One-Stop partner, may agree to have staff receive guidance from the One-Stop operator regarding the provision of labor exchange services. Personnel matters, including compensation, personnel actions, terms and conditions of employment, performance appraisals, and accountability of State merit-staff employees funded under the Act, remain under the authority of the State agency. The guidance given to employees must be consistent with the provisions of the Act, the local Memorandum of Understanding, and applicable collective bargaining agreements.

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